



Templar Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 15th November 2024



'Building Lifelong Foundations Together'

Attendance



Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Class	Weekly Attendance
Forde	97%
Courtenay	98% Well Done
Templar	97%

This week's whole school attendance: 97.4%

Last week's whole school attendance: 96.8%

RAG Rating		98% and above
		96.1%- 97.9%
		96% and below

Our whole school attendance target is 96%

Home Learning

Geography:

Please research a local settlement type near you. Name the type of settlement, explain why it is that type and record any human and physical features that interest you.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Templar class showed great maturity and sensitivity in Geography this week when we learned about push and pull factors that cause migration. It was amazing how the children were able to make links across their curriculum, sensitively explaining how troubles in another country or religious disagreements could be a push factor. This also shows the benefit of our Class Worship time each week, when we explore a topical news story from anywhere around the world. I was very impressed by how the children were able to draw on learning in so many different areas to support their Geography. Well done Templar.

Star of the Week

Gracie-May for

In SPAG, we continue to revise word classes (which was home learning last week for Year 5). This is the real foundation of SPAG learning so although we must move on to new content, please keep this ticking over at

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trying really hard with her handwriting and seeking to challenge herself in every lesson, using partner talk really effectively.

home. This website is a good starting point:

<https://www.thenational.academy/teachers/programmes/english-primary-ks2/units/review-including-word-class-sentence-types-tense-commas-and-colons/lessons/word-class-revision#lesson-details>

but CGP books (available from WHSmiths or Amazon, for example) also support this. Please see the link below. (Make sure you purchase the answer booklets as well so you can mark and go through the answers.)

<https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/primary-books/ks2/english>

We are delighted to share that All Saints Marsh Academy has just started an exciting new link with Devon Music Education Hub. Over the next few months and years, this partnership will enable our children to access a range of quality music experiences – and it promises to be lots of fun! In the first instance, we would like to make parents aware of the Devon Music Education Hub website as it has a Parents tab (see link below).

<https://www.musiceducationhub.org/site/parents-carers/hiring-an-instrument/>

This page explains how to hire an instrument at significantly reduced rates of only £33 a term (with further discounts available for children in receipt of funding). This can support children with learning instruments in private lessons outside of school, for self-learning or to support musical experiences in the future in school.


Templar class have finished Reach Outdoors now, but PE remains on a Tuesday until further notice. Please can the children come into school in their PE kits on Tuesdays (and Fridays as normal). Thank you.

Mrs Mott and Miss Blakesley
Templar Class teachers

MESSAGE FROM MR O'SULLIVAN

We Believe:

This term, we have been focusing on the value of *courage* and learning how we can apply it in our lives. During our assemblies, we discussed David vs Goliath and how David, though young and small, faced a seemingly impossible challenge with faith and courage. Through his story, we learned that courage isn't about being fearless but about standing strong even when things seem tough. We encouraged all our children to look for ways they can show courage in their own lives, whether that's standing up for what's right, trying something new, or supporting their friends.

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We are Stronger Together

We are thrilled to announce that our new sensory room is now open and available for our children to enjoy! This special space is equipped with sensory-friendly lights, soft seating, and interactive features that create a soothing environment for relaxation and focus. It's already become a favourite spot, and we can't wait to see how it benefits everyone who uses it.

We all belong in our School Trust

This term's *Reach Outdoors* program has come to a fantastic end, and it has been wonderful to see all our KS2 pupils embracing the outdoors! The children took part in a range of activities, from team-building challenges, wall climbing and water-based activities. These experiences not only allowed them to develop new skills but also taught them resilience, teamwork, and, of course, courage. Watching our children thrive in the great outdoors has been a highlight of the term, and we're so proud of their achievements and the memories they've made.




In realising the possible so that all children can flourish

Finally, we are excited to announce that applications for *House Captains* are now open! This is a fantastic leadership opportunity for our Y6 children, and we are looking forward to reading applications from those who wish to represent and lead their house teams. We encourage everyone interested to consider how they can embody our school values and make a positive impact within our school community. Good luck to all our aspiring leaders!

A HUGE thank you for all those who supported Children In Need, we raised a tremendous £76 for this fantastic charity.



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Admissions policy for 2026-27: Annual Consultation

Along with all other schools and academies in Devon, we are consulting on an admission policy for 2026-27. The Local Authority is also consulting on its admission arrangements. You are invited to look at the proposal new policies which are based on policies for this year and next year and to have your say on them.

Our proposed policy is on our admission page [Admissions - All Saints Marsh C of E Academy](#) and you can see all policies at <http://devon.cc/schoolpolicy> Further information is here: www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements

The consultation runs until 10 January 2025. Policies will be determined by the end of February and published in the same places by 15 March next year. You can comment at schoolsadmissionpolicy-mailbox@devon.gov.uk or by emailing the school.

Changes we are proposing at this school: There is admissions priority for children living within two miles from the school

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

NOVEMBER 2024

20.11.24 History Club - 2.45 -4pm Museum Trip. Please collect from school at 4pm.

22.11.24- Forde Forest School

22.11.24 PTFA Non school uniform - In exchange for wearing non school uniform please bring in a cuddly / soft toy donation for our the PTFA Christmas Fete.

DECEMBER 2024

2.12.24 Year 5 Lantern making workshop

5.12.24 Year 2 Christmas Journey at Abbotsbury Church 10 - 11.30

6.12.24- Forde Forest School

6.12.24 - PTFA Non school uniform - In exchange for wearing non school uniform please bring in a chocolate treat for our the PTFA Christmas Fete.

11.12.24 - Christmas Jumper Day / PTFA Cinema Trip / Christmas Dinner


11.12.24 Lantern Parade - Newton Abbot Town Centre

12.12.24 PTFA Christmas Disco KS1 3 -3.45 KS2 4 - 5pm

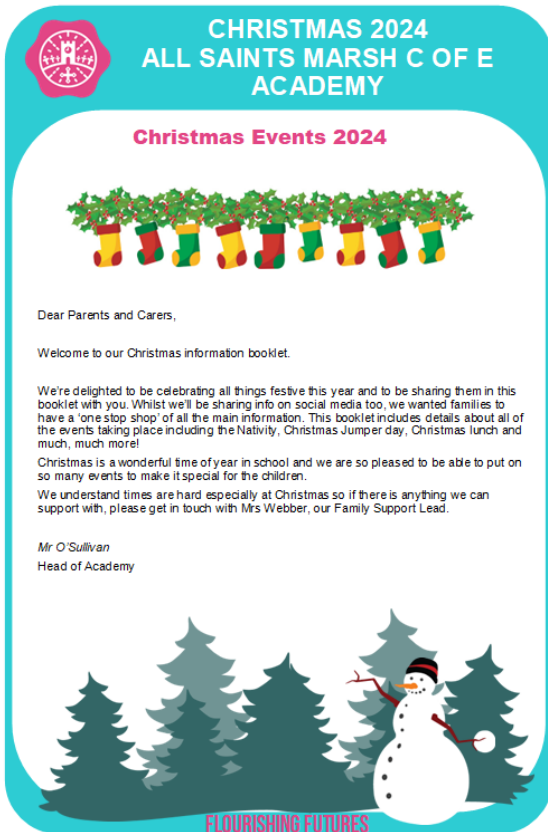
17.12.24 Nativity St Pauls Church PM

18.12.24 PTFA Christmas Fete PM

20.12.24- Forde Forest School


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Please take a look at our new Christmas Newsletter – with all our fabulous Christmas activities in one place. [Christmas-Newsletter-2024.pdf](#)



CHRISTMAS 2024
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Christmas Events 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,


Welcome to our Christmas information booklet.

We're delighted to be celebrating all things festive this year and to be sharing them in this booklet with you. Whilst we'll be sharing info on social media too, we wanted families to have a 'one stop shop' of all the main information. This booklet includes details about all of the events taking place including the Nativity, Christmas Jumper day, Christmas lunch and much, much more!

Christmas is a wonderful time of year in school and we are so pleased to be able to put on so many events to make it special for the children.

We understand times are hard especially at Christmas so if there is anything we can support with, please get in touch with Mrs Webber, our Family Support Lead.

Mr O'Sullivan
Head of Academy



FLOURISHING FUTURES

Welcome to All Saints Marsh



C of E Academy



Building Lifelong Foundations Together

Book a tour!


Is your child starting school in September 2025?

Book a tour of our school today and see what
All Saints Marsh has to offer!



A small school
with a big heart,
in the centre of
Newton Abbot



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FAMILY SUPPORT

Household Support Fund

I am pleased to announce that we have access to further funding to support families on low incomes with food and utility costs through a new round of the Household Support Fund, being administered by Devon County Council -Early Help and Action for Children. The scheme runs until the **31st of March 2025**.

Through this fund, Early Help is able to provide a grant per family to support with:

- Food

- Support with energy and water bills for household purposes

Such as, for example, insulation or energy efficient items which reduce bills, the purchase of essential equipment such as fridges, freezers, ovens, slow cookers or costs associated with obtaining, installing or repairing/servicing such items (e.g. a boiler). Likewise, to invest in simple energy efficiency measures which will pay back quickly, such as insulating a hot water tank, fitting draft excluders to a front door, or replacing energy inefficient lightbulbs or essential electrical items. The intention of this is to provide sustainable support which results in immediate and potentially long-lasting savings for the household.

- Wider essential needs not linked to energy, water or food

These may include, but are not limited to, support with other essential bills, which if unpaid would prevent the household from either earning income or would make them lose income. Items such as broadband or phone bills, clothing, period and hygiene products, transport-related costs such as repairing a car, buying a bicycle, or paying for fuel/transport fares. This list is not exhaustive.

This fund is NOT able to provide funds for the following (which is **not** an exhaustive list):


Items deemed non-essential, washing machines, driers (often heavy consumers of energy), furniture, flooring, and school uniforms (for the latter issue the school should be contacted initially).

If you are eligible and would like to apply for support, please contact Mrs Webber.



COMMUNITY NEWS

1st Newton Abbot Brownies have created a spotty display for everyone to enjoy. They loved cutting out different sized spots and worked together in groups to make each colour. From January we will have a few spaces available so if your daughter is aged between 7-9 we'd love for you to come along and see what we're about! Please speak to Ruth Hastings in the playground or register online at <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for->

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Newton Abbot

LANTERN PARADE WORKSHOP


Saturday 7th December

Fancy making your own Lantern and taking part in 'A Night Among Amazon Animals' Lantern Parade on Wednesday 11th December?


Public workshop held at
The Avenue Church, Newton Abbot


Tickets available from Newton's Place on 01626 201120
Morning workshop 10am - 1pm
Afternoon workshop 2pm - 5pm
£5 per ticket! - (CASH ONLY)



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